Purchase of Land for Kandla Port

4692. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the remaining land of Kandla Port is deemed to be ownership of the State Government of Gujarat as a •successor under the Reorganisation Act;

(b) whether there is any thing on record that Central Government have purchase a land for Kandla Port; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (c) The subject major port is included in the Union list of the Constitution and the Kandla Port enjoys the status of major port. The land and water front within the notified area of the major port rest with the Union of India. Under the State's Reorganisation Act, 1963, assets meant for the purpose of Union remain with the Central Government.

Modernisation of Major Ports

4693. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether all 11 major ports in the country have undertaken a programme of modernisation of equipment covering both addition and replacement and flotilla at a cost of Rs. 860 crores and this amount is much higher than the investment made for the purpose during the last three financial years;

(b) if so, what was the expenditure made for these on each of the major ports during the last three years *vis-a-vis* allocation made during the current financial year; and

(c) the increase of cargo registered during the last three years with projected during the current financial year port wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) The Ministry has undertaken a programme of modernisation of equipment

and floatilla of Major Ports. The Port-wise expenditure incurred on modernisation of equipment and floatilla during the last three years and the provision kept therefor during the current year 2000-2001 is given in Statement-I *(See* below)

(c) the Port-wise cargo handled during the last three years and projected cargo during the current financial year 2000-2001 is given in Statement-II *(See* below).

Statement-I

Port-wise expenditure incurred in modernisation of Equipment and Floatilla during the last three years and provision kept therefor during the current financial year 2000-2001

(Rupee in Crores)

S. No.	Name of the Major Port	Expenditure incurrec 1			Provision kept for 2000-2001
		1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	
1.	Calcutta including Haldia	10.67	5.23	54.60	10.02
2.	Mumbai	32.71	15.51	20.16	38.68
3.	J.L. Nehru	NIL	1.47	NIL	66.60
4.	Chennai	17.30	7.22	49.45	14.00
5.	Cochin	21.55	3.05	3.30	1.03
6.	Vishakhapatnam	14.64	17.78	48.30	82.70
7.	Kandla	2.30	1.32	39.97	17.74
8.	Mormugao	5.39	NIL	9.15	30.63
9.	Paradip	0.77	0.30	7.38	15.90
10	New Mangalore	0.19	0.19	23.67	11.47
11.	Tuticorin	NIL	NIL	NIL	6.40
	TOTAL :	105.52	52.07	255.98	295.17

Statement-II

Cargo handled by various major ports during last three years and projected cargo for the current financial year (2000-2001)

(In Million Tonnes)

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	TARGET 2000-2001
Calcutta (including Haldia)	28.16	29.38	31.00	36.40
Paradip	13.30	13.11	13.64	16.45
Visakhapatnam	36.01	35.65	39.51	40.47
Chennai	35.53	35.20	37.44	42.44
Tuticorin	9.98	10.15	9.99	10.90
Cochin	12.32	12.68	12.80	12.12
New	15.28	14.21	17.60	20.31
Mormugao	21.18	18.02	18.23	19.69
J.L. Nehru	8.90	11.72	14.98	17.58
Mumbai	32.10	30.97	30.38	28.67
Kandla	38.90	40.64	46.30	41.97
TOTAL:	251.66	251.73	271.87	287.00

Widening of Jaipur-Kishangarh Section of N.H. 8

4694. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Jaipur-Kishangarh section of NH-8 regarding widening and rehabilitation on BOT basis; and

(b) whether the work has been already taken up and if so, what is the time for completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) The project of upgrading Jaipur-Kishangarh section of National Highway No. 8 in the State of Rajasthan to six lane divided carriageway is being taken up by the National Highway Authority of India under BOT (Build-Operate-Transfer) basis. Pre-qualification process is completed and bid documents would be issued shortly to pre-qualified